## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

S.J. Elliott et al.

Attorney Docket No.: BARK126856

Application No.: 10/560,142

Confirmation No.: 5501

Filed:

Title:

SOUND REPRODUCTION SYSTEMS FOR USE BY ADJACENT USERS

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Seattle, Washington 98101 July 11, 2006

## TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Applicants are aware of the information listed in the attached form that may be material to the prosecution of the above-identified patent application.

- 1. Copies of the listed patents, publications, and non-patent literature are enclosed X for the Examiner's use.
- 2. X A concise explanation of the relevance of document Cite Nos. F1 and F2 (which are not in the English language), as presently understood by the individual designated under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c) most knowledgeable about its content, is provided in an English abstract appended to said document.
- Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), this Information Disclosure Statement is being 3.  $\mathbf{X}$ filed within three months of the filing date of the national application (other than a CPA), within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application, before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of an RCE.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINDNESSPLLC

Lee E. Johnson

Registration No. 22,946

Direct Dial No. 206.695.1701

LEJ:pas

LAW OFFICES OF CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINDNESSPILIC 1420 Fifth Avenue Suite 2800 Seattle, Washington 98101 206.682.8100

## INFORMATION CITED BY APPLICANTS THAT MAY BE MATERIAL TO THE PROSECUTION OF THE SUBJECT APPLICATION

Applicants: S.J. Elliott et al. Attorney Docket No.: BARK126856 Confirmation No.: 5501 Application No.: 10/560,412 Filed: Examiner: Title: SOUND REPRODUCTION SYSTEMS FOR USE BY ADJACENT USERS U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS \*Examiner Cite Kind Date **Initials** No. Document No. Code (mm/dd/yyyy) Name U1 5,953,432 Α 09/14/1999 Y. Hirofumi et al. FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS English \*Examiner Cite **Publication Date** Kind Abstract Translation Initial No. Document No. Country (mm/dd/yyyy) Code Provided Provided F1 0 993 229 04/12/2000 EP X Α F2 05344584 12/24/1993 JP X Α OTHER INFORMATION (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.) \*Examiner Cite Initial No. Choi Joung-Woo et al., Generation of an acoustically bright zone with an 01 illuminated region using multiple sources, Journal of the Acoustical Society of America, American Institute of Physics, Vol. 111, No. 4, April 2002, pp.1695-1700. **Date Considered** Examiner

\*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with M.P.E.P. § 609; draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

LEJ:PAS

LAW OFFICES OF CHRISTENSEN O'CONNOR JOHNSON KINDNESSPILE 1420 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2800 Seattle, Washington 98101 206.682.8100